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## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

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## VIA ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION

National Freedom of Information Officer United States Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW (2822T) Washington, DC 20460 Regional Freedom of Information Officer U.S. EPA, Region 5 77 West Jackson Boulevard (MI-9J) Chicago, IL 60604-3590

Re: Environmental Records Pertaining to the Beck's Lake Superfund Site in South Bend, St. Joseph County, Indiana, CERCLIS ID # IND98094379

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552 *et seq.*, I hereby request copies of the information described below as held by the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("US EPA") and its Regional Office:

The following materials where related to the Beck's Lake Superfund Site located in South Bend, St. Joseph County, Indiana, CERCLIS ID # IND98094379:

- 1. All materials related to monitoring, release reporting, enforcement actions, or investigations under state or federal environmental laws, including, but not limited to:
  - a. Materials related to RCRA and/or similar state statute investigations, monitoring, testing, releases, and/or remediation;
  - Materials related to CERCLA and/or similar state statute investigations, monitoring, testing, releases, and/or remediation, including, but not limited to, any responses to requests for information under § 104 of CERCLA, National Priorities List listing considerations and decision making, and analysis and identification of potentially responsible parties ("PRPs");
  - c. Materials related to soil sampling, testing, and/or releases;
  - d. Materials related to groundwater sampling, testing, and/or releases;

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- e. Materials related to surface water sampling, testing, and/or releases; and
- f. Notices of violations, consent decrees, deviations, warnings, citations, and/or related communications and/or documents.
- 2. Any and all communications and/or documents and materials exchanged among regulated entities, US EPA, the Indiana Department of Environmental Management ("IDEM"), and/or any other federal, state, or local governmental agencies or other third parties with regard to the same.
- 3. Any and all information, studies, government reports, written comments, epidemiological studies, or monitoring or testing results or data, relating to pollution, contamination, or exposure of human or animal populations to hazardous substances.
- 4. Any and all information regarding the nature, volume, and sources of the Hazardous Substances at issue at the Site.

I would appreciate the opportunity to discuss ways to refine this request if the results are voluminous. While Squire Patton Boggs is willing to pay any and all reasonable fees incurred in processing this FOIA request, we will first need an estimate of the amount of materials that may be responsive and the general magnitude of related fees that may be incurred. Please email or call me at your earliest convenience to discuss and make appropriate arrangements for review and/or copying.

Thank you for your cooperation on this important request.

Best regards,

Whitney A. Todd